17th December 1959]

Colour Bar in clubs with bar attached

* 236 *Q.*—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to cancel the licences of the clubs to run a Bar, which practise colour bar and discrimination against non-whites?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The matter has been under consideration.

SRI A. A. RASHEED : Sir, is it not derogatory to the dignity of the Indian citizens that colour bar should be practised on the Indian soil?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I have already stated that the matter has been under examination.

Police Centenary Week

* 237. *Q.*—SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government propose to Celebrate Police Centenary Week;

(*b*) if so, when and where;

(*c*) what are the activities that would be gone through;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that a film is being shot on the subject of Police—Public Relations with the help of famous Cinema Stars; and

(*e*) the expenditure involved in it?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) From 22nd August 1959 to 30th August 1959 in the districts and from 31st August to 7th September 1959 in the Madras City.

(*c*) A statement[a] is placed on the table of the House.

(*d*) Yes, Sir.

(*e*) Rs. 35,000.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Is the Hon. Minister aware of the fact that by the exhibition of a picture of that kind, there is already a rumour afloat that pickpocketing, being a highly technical art, is taught through that picture and if so, will the Government take some effective steps to prohibit the exhibition of such kinds of films at least in the future?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I am not aware of any such rumour. But, I do not think that the film that is exhibited, encourages or gives instruction in pickpocketing. Rather, it reveals how the Police help could be sought and obtained.

---

a Printed as Appendix IV on pages 571–572 infra.